

Amendments to the Specification:

At page 1, please replace the title on lines 1-2 with the following amended title:

DEVICES FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE PELVIC SURGERY [PERCUTANEOUS AND
HIATAL DEVICES AND METHODS FOR US IN MINIMALLY INVASIVE PELVIC
SURGERY]

At page 1, please replace the sentence on lines 4-5 with the following amended sentence:

This is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 10/015,114, filed on November 12, 2001, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/023,965, filed on February 13, 1998, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,423,080, which claims the benefit of and priority to [This application claims priority from] U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/038,171, filed February 13, 1997, the entire disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein.